

EMERGENCY ORDER – APRIL 7, 2020

KAMAS CITY – MAYOR MCCORMICK

WHEREAS, Kamas City (“City”) is a municipality and political subdivision of the state of Utah;

WHEREAS, Utah Code § 53-2a-208 authorizes the chief executive officer of political subdivisions of the state to declare a local emergency by proclamation, with such proclamation to be continued or renewed with the consent of the governing body; and

WHEREAS, Utah Code § 53-2a-205 authorizes the chief executive officer of political subdivisions of the state to carry out measures ordered by the Utah Governor and additional necessary measures subject to the limitations and provisions of state law; and

WHEREAS, on March 6, 2020, Governor Gary R. Herbert issued an executive order declaring a state of emergency due to novel coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19);

WHEREAS, the Governor’s executive order recognizes the need for state and local authorities, and the private sector to cooperate to slow the spread of COVID-19;

WHEREAS, on March 11, 2020, the World Health Organization characterized the COVID-19 outbreak as a pandemic;

WHEREAS, on March 12, 2020, Summit County declared a state of emergency for the county, which includes Kamas City;

WHEREAS, on March 13, 2020, President Donald J. Trump declared a national state of emergency based on the continuing spread of COVID-19;

WHEREAS, on March 16, 2020, President Trump and the White House Coronavirus Task Force issued guidelines to help protect Americans during the global COVID-19 outbreak;

WHEREAS, on March 25, 2020, Summit County issued a Stay-At-Home order that imposed limitations on travel, gathering, and business within the county in order to limit the continued spread of COVID-19;

WHEREAS, Summit County is the epicenter for COVID-19 in the State of Utah, having nearly a third of all Utah cases, as well as reporting the first case of community spread in the state, and has had, to-date, a rate of occurrence rivaling the most impacted areas in the nation;

WHEREAS, the ability of Kamas City to continue to respond to the ongoing emergency, mobilize local resources, coordinate interagency response, accelerate procurement of vital supplies, and use mutual aid is critical to successfully responding to COVID-19;

WHEREAS, these conditions do create a “State of Emergency” within the intent of the Disaster Response and Recovery Act found in Title 53, Chapter 2a of the Utah Code, and necessitate the continued declaration of an existence of a local emergency;

WHEREAS, The City's mayor is the chief executive officer of the City and has authority to declare a local emergency, and did so declare a state of emergency;

WHEREAS, on March 24, 2020, the City Council of Kamas City authorized and confirmed the mayor's proclamation of emergency, and approved the extension of the local emergency pursuant to Utah Code § 53-2a-208;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED as follows:

1. A local emergency continues to exist and is hereby declared in and for Kamas City due to the COVID-19 epidemic and related damage, injury, loss of life, and social disruption.
2. This proclamation declaring a local emergency is official recognition of the emergency and disaster situation existing within the City and provides a legal basis for requesting and obtaining state or federal or other disaster assistance.
3. The local emergency shall remain in effect until May 1, 2020, unless rescinded by the Mayor or City Council.
4. All previously enacted and adopted emergency policies, powers, plans, limitations, and operations remain in effect. The Mayor may take additional actions as necessary and recommended to limit the impact, loss, damage, and disruption of the local emergency.
5. Special event permits and other discretionary licenses, permits, other authorizations, the use of public buildings and spaces, and other City services may be denied, revoked, limited, or delayed in order to protect the City, its personnel, and its residents. Essential services shall continue to be provided, but may operate in a restricted or limited fashion in order to mitigate risk of injury or sickness.
6. All City residents, businesses, and personnel shall follow the guidelines and orders adopted by Summit County, as well as all other additional or more restrictive guidelines adopted now or in the future by Summit County, the State of Utah, or the Federal Government.
7. This proclamation shall be filed promptly with the office of the City Recorder.

DATED this 7th day of April, 2020.


Mayor Matt McCormick

ATTEST:

